# Dennis P. Harris—House District 32 Representative—Alaska Democratic Party Primary Candidate (D)

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Age: 27

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Length of Residency in Alaska: 15 years

Alaskan Communities Lived in: Kodiak

# **Education:**

Pharm.D.
Graduate Certificate in Education
Bachelor in Biology

Service Organization(s) Membership: Lion's Club International

#### Other:

Growing up I was raised by a single mother with four kids. I remember walking for blocks with a giant garbage bag collecting aluminum cans so we could have extra spending money at the end of the month. And I remember my mom always being so tired, but still managing to take night classes. She eventually earned enough credits to get a promotion, and that changed my family's life forever. That is when I decided to focus on my education. While earning my doctorate I spent the majority of my weekends helping the homeless and traveling to Tijuana to treat deported veterans. I've devoted my life to helping those who are struggling most, and I have no intention of stopping now.

#### **Position Statement:**

There are thousands of Alaskans barely making ends meet, stuck living paycheck to paycheck. I'm running because I've felt that pain. If you vote for me I'll fight my heart out everyday so our families can have a better life, and so Alaska will have a brighter future.

X. Making Housing Affordable: Increase development of both lower & middle income housing. Create jobs

X. Healthcare: Focus on primary/preventative care, increase transparency with insurance and pharmaceutical companies to bring down cost.

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- X. Minimum Wage: Increase yearly until full time is \$30,000. Tie to inflation
- X. Money Out Of Politics: Big money out! We need representatives that represent us, not their donors
- X. Invest In Renewable Energy: Fossil fuels are not a long term plan, we need new sources of revenue and jobs
- X. Strengthen PFD: Cutting it hurts hardworking people most. Tie to renewable energy so it is owned by the people and preserved for generations
- X. Protect Fishing for Generations: Increase access for younger generations; don't trade a sustainable resource for a 1 time extraction.
- X. Empower Tribal Nations: Support tribal sovereignty, protect sacred places, increase consultation
- X. Invest in Education: Expand Pre-K, invest in public education (including college, vocation, trade)
- X. Income Inequality: We live in the richest country in the world, but most of that wealth is controlled by a tiny handful of individuals. Demand that the wealthy and large corporations pay their fair share in taxes.
- X. Opioid Epidemic: Prescriber training & increase access to recovery services

